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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014	AND ENDING	DECEMBER 31, 2014
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A.	REGISTRANT IDENTIFICAT	ΓΙΟΝ		
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:		OFFIC	IAL USE ONLY	
ABNER, HERRMAN & BROCK LL	C	FIRM ID. NO.		
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE O	F BUSINESS: (Do not use P. O.	Box No.)		
HARBORSIDE FINANCIAL CENT	ER-Plaza 5-Suite 1640			
JERSEY CITY,	NEW JERSEY		07311	
(City)	(State)		Zip Code)	
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER	R OF PERSON TO CONTACT I	N REGARD TO T	HIS REPORT	
HOWARD J. ABNER, Managing Member		(201) 484 – 2000		
		Area Code – Telep	hone No.)	
В.	ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICA	ATION		
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNT	ANT whose opinion is contained	in this Report*		
LERNER & SIPKIN, CPAs, LLP				
132 Nassau Street, Suite 1023	New York	NY	10038	
X Certified Public Acc	countant			
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<sup>\*</sup>Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e) (2).

#### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

Howard J. Abner, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of ABNER HERRMAN & BROCK LLC, as of December 31, 2014, are true and correct.
 I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, member, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:

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Notary Public 2/4/18	STATE OF NEW JERSEY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 11, 2016 I.D.# 2408386
This report** contains (check all	applicable boxes):

- (x) (a) Facing page.
- (x) (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- () (c) Statement of Operations.
- ( ) (d ) Statement of Cash Flows.
- ( ) (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- ( ) (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- () (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- () (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- ( ) (i ) Information Relating to the Possession or Control requirements under rule 15c3-3.
- () (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the reserve requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ( ) (k ) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- (x) (1) An Oath or Affirmation.
- () (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- () (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.
- (x) (a) Independent Auditors' Report
- \*\* For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

## ABNER, HERRMAN BROCK LLC

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2014

ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	411,654
Commission Receivable		7,109
Fixed assets and leasehold improvements-		
net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$335,388 (Note 2(d))		87,816
Other assets		95,537
Total assets	\$	602,116
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S CAPITAL		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	70,654
Total liabilities	•	70,654
Commitments and Contingencies (Notes 3 and 5)		
Capital (Note 6)		531,462
Total liabilities and member's capital	\$	602,116

## ABNER, HERRMAN & BROCK, LLC

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014

#### Note 1- Nature of Business

Abner, Herrman & Brock, LLC (The "Company") clears all securities transactions through its clearing broker on a fully disclosed basis, and consequently operates under the exemptive provisions of S.E.C. Rule 15c3-3 (k) (2) (ii). Also, the Company provides investment advisory services mainly to individual investors.

## Note 2- Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

#### a) Revenue Recognition

Securities transactions (and the recognition of related income and expenses) are recorded on a settlement date basis, generally the third business day following the transaction date. There is no material difference between trade and settlement date.

Investment advisory fees are recognized as revenues as earned.

#### b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, the Company considers demand deposited money market funds to be cash and cash equivalents.

#### c) Income Taxes

Income taxes are not payable by, or provided for, the Company. Members are taxed individually on their share of Company earnings for federal and state income tax purposes.

#### d) Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are depreciated on the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of four to seven years.

Leasehold improvements are recorded at cost and are amortized in accordance with the straight-line method over the length of the lease.

#### e) Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses.

#### f) Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated events and transactions that occurred between December 31, 2014 and January 30, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued, for possible disclosure and recognition in the financial statements.

## ABNER, HERRMAN & BROCK, LLC

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014

#### Note 3- Commitments and Contingencies

The Company rents office space pursuant to a lease agreement expiring September 30, 2017.

The aggregate minimum annual rent commitment follows, exclusive of escalation charges:

<u>Year</u>	Amount
2015	156,910
2016	156,910
2017	117,682

## Note 4- Profit Sharing Plan

The Company maintains a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees. The Company contributes annually a match contribution based upon the amount the employees contribute and, at the discretion of management, up to 15% of the eligible compensation. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company contributed \$13,000.

#### Note 5- Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Credit Risk

As a securities broker, the Company is engaged in buying and selling securities for a diverse group of institutional and individual investors. The Company's transactions are collateralized and are executed with and on behalf of banks, brokers and dealers and other financial institutions. The Company introduces these transactions for clearance to another broker/dealer on a fully disclosed basis.

The Company's exposure to credit risk associated with non-performance of customers in fulfilling their contractual obligations pursuant to securities transactions can be directly impacted by volatile trading markets which may impair customers' ability to satisfy their obligations to the Company and the Company's ability to liquidate the collateral at an amount equal to the original contracted amount.

The agreement between the Company and its clearing broker provides that the Company is obligated to assume any exposure related to such non-performance by its customers. The Company seeks to control the aforementioned risks by requiring customers to maintain margin collateral in compliance with various regulatory requirements and the clearing brokers internal guidelines. The Company monitors its customer activity by reviewing information it receives from its clearing broker on a daily basis, and requiring customers to deposit additional collateral, or reduce positions when necessary.

## ABNER, HERRMAN & BROCK, LLC

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014

## Note 6- Net Capital Requirement

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 1500%. At December 31, 2014, the Company had net capital of \$343,573, which was \$338,573 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000. The Company's net capital ratio was 20.56%.

A copy of the Company's Statement of Financial Condition as of DECEMBER 31, 2014, pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5 is available for examination at the Company's office and at the regional office of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the office of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Abner, Herrman & Brock LLC Harborside Financial Center Plaza 5 – Suite 1640 Jersey City, NJ 07311

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Abner, Herrman & Brock LLC. (the Company) as of December 31, 2014. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the statement of financial condition in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the statement of financial condition that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Abner, Herrman & Brock LLC. as of December 31, 2014 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Lerner & Sipkin, CPAs, LLP Certified Public Accountants (NY)

New York, NY January 30, 2015